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SUBJECT: BELGIAN MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE FOR ZAIRE

REF: KINSHASA 10159 (NOTAL)

1. BELGIAN EMBASSY ECONOMIC MINISTER DEMOUDT AND
POLITICAL COUNSELOR WILLEMS MET WITH DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY WALKER NOVEMBER 18 AT THEIR REQUEST AND LEFT
COPY OF LATEST DRAFT OF BELGIAN PLAN FOR MULTILATERAL
ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE. (PLAN DE RELANCE ECONOMIQUE).

2. ACCORDING TO DEMOUDT, PRESENT DRAFT PLACES GREATER
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EMPHASIS ON IMPROVEMENT OF GOZ ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL
MANAGEMENT THAN EARLIER VERSION. PLAN WHICH WORKING
GROUP UNDER LEADERSHIP OF COMMISSAIRE DE PLAN MALDAGUE
DRAFTED ALSO STRESSES NEED TO ASSURE COMPATIBILITY WITH
IMF STABILIZATION PROGRAM. UNDER PLAN ZAIRE IS ENCOURAGED
TO REVIEW SECTORAL PRIORITIES; TO REVITALIZE AGRICULTURAL
SECTOR; AND TO ASSURE GREATER PARTICIPATION OF RURAL

POPULATION IN COUNTRY'S ECONOMY.

3. PLAN HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO BELGIAN INTER-MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW AND IS EXPECTED TO BE PRESENTED TO ZAIRE IN TIME FOR MOBUTU TO REFER TO IT IN HIS NOVEMBER 25 ADDRESS TO THE NATION.

4. THE ECONOMIC MINISTER SAID THAT AS FAR AS BELGIAN GOVERNMENT WAS CONCERNED UNDER THIS PLAN ANY BELGIAN ASSISTANCE WOULD DEPEND ON REACTIONS FROM OTHER POTENTIAL DONORS. COPIES OF PLAN HAVE RECENTLY BEEN SENT TO FRENCH, WEST GERMAN, BRITISH, AND SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENTS. TO DATE THERE HAVE BEEN NO RESPONSES.

5. ASKED WHETHER BELGIUM INTENDED TO CONTINUE ITS ROLE AS COORDINATOR AFTER THE PLAN WAS SUBMITTED TO MOBUTU, DEMOUDT SAID THAT HE WOULD REQUEST CLARIFICATION FROM BRUSSELS.

6. RESPONDING TO A FURTHER QUESTION DEMOUDT SAID HE WOULD INQUIRE ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF A MEETING OF POTENTIAL IN BRUSSELS PRIOR TO ANY COMMITMENTS FROM DONORS. PURPOSE OF SUCH A MEETING WOULD BE TO FORESTALL MOBUTU FROM ATTEMPTING TO PLAY ONE DONOR OFF AGAINST ANOTHER.

7. FULL FRENCH TEXT OF DRAFT BEING POUCHED WITH
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